

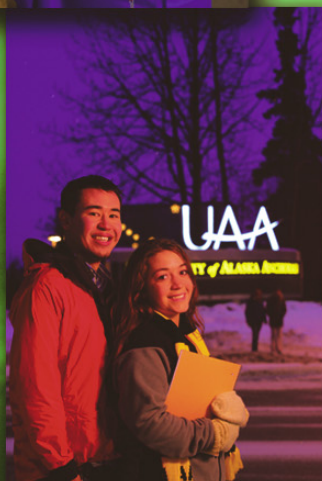
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Going to College in Alaska



A Message from Governor Murkowski

Dear Fellow Alaskan,

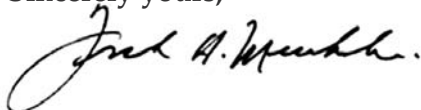
Alaska's vocational and higher education institutions are fully committed to preparing you for the exciting challenges which lie ahead for the Great Land. As you plan for your career and seek to acquire the education and skills that are increasingly in demand by employers, I commend for your careful consideration the quality institutions that are right here at home.

Alaska schools, colleges, and universities, in addition to offering basic academic programs, have established relationships with key Alaska employers to insure that their certificate and degree programs are tailored to ongoing and emerging workforce needs. Through the efforts and support of the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education's AlaskAdvantage® Programs of financial aid and educational outreach, we are working together to make college education and technical training affordable and accessible.

As your Governor, I have made education a top priority of this administration to ensure that every Alaskan has the opportunity to contribute to and benefit from our statewide community. Our goal is to grow a robust, expanding economy with good-paying jobs to provide you with attractive and exciting career opportunities right here in Alaska. We are here to work with you in planning and preparing for educational success beyond high school. Together, achieving these endeavors will translate to a dynamic workforce and strong economy, in which you play a vital role.

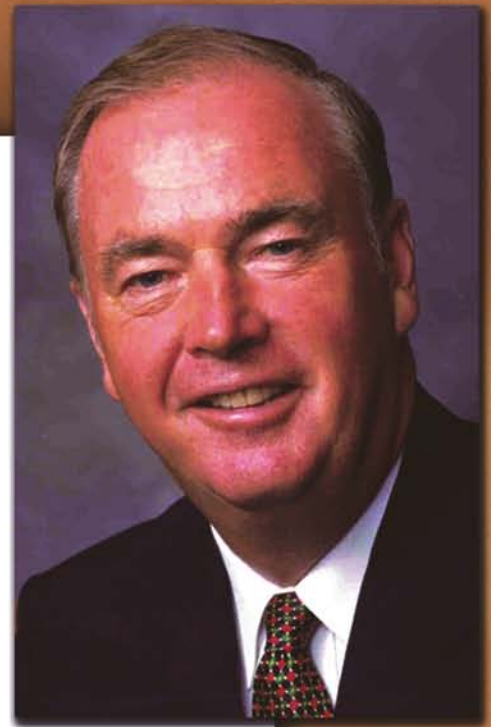
Best wishes for your future success.

Sincerely yours,



Frank H. Murkowski, Governor

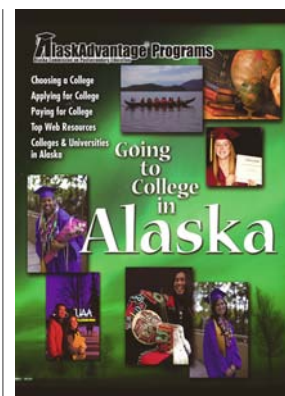
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A MESSAGE FROM THE ALASKA COMMISSION ON POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Dear Higher Education Consumer,

Welcome to the 2006 edition of *Going to College in Alaska*! In this fourth edition are current profiles, information and photographs of Alaska's featured postsecondary education institutions.

ACPE's leadership and staff are 100% committed to Governor Murkowski's goal of making education a top priority for Alaska. We hold a conviction that wise development and use of our human capital is critically important to our future, as individuals and as a state community.

Please use this publication to identify your postsecondary options here at home. The institutions, colleges, and universities highlighted in this publication can offer you career and degree programs that vary from relatively short-term vocational training to world-class, doctoral degree programs which are second to none—all available to you without leaving your home state. Each school has its own unique strengths and all share a strong and growing tradition of offering Alaska-centered programs of study.

If you elect to attend school in Alaska, through ACPE, your state offers you the lowest cost financial aid packages in the nation with our **AlaskAdvantage® Programs**. We're here to ensure that higher education is accessible and affordable for all Alaskans.

Become an important, productive, and financially successful part of Alaska's future by making smart choices. Take advantage of the exceptional educational resources Alaska has to offer. ACPE is here to help make your dreams a reality. Your future is in your hands.

Best wishes for success,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Diane Barrans". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Diane Barrans
Executive Director



WHY GO TO SCHOOL OR COLLEGE IN ALASKA?

We all know that there's gold in Alaska – but it's not just the metal kind. Alaska also offers golden opportunities for higher education. Why leave the place the rest of the world admires as the “Last Frontier” if you don't have to? Whether it's familiar cultures, our independent spirit, or the outdoor activities you don't want to live without, you probably have reasons to stay.

As you begin researching schools that can support your goals, consider your needs and desires first. Do you like small classes and personal attention, or large ones that give you the opportunity to shine among the many? Are you at your best in a bustling city environment or would you rather be nestled away in a more secluded setting? What about athletics, social activities or clubs? Are they important to you?

Whatever your preferences, you may not need to look further than your home state to find a college or training program that's right for you. *Going to College in Alaska* profiles accredited colleges, universities, and vocational schools to give you greater insight into academic opportunities and campus life right here in this great state.

Always keep your career goals in mind when considering colleges. Alaska's college graduates are competitive and prepared to pursue professional and career success. Quality programs range from the arts to the high-tech. If you want to sample life

“outside”, there are exchange programs with schools in other states or on other continents! All without the worry of higher tuition or having to transfer credits.

The cost of college may be a consideration in your search, but keep in mind that college is a wise investment in your future. Statistics show that college graduates can expect to earn at least twice as much in their lifetime as those without a degree. In addition, Alaska is committed to ensuring college access and affordability. Did you know that tuition at many schools in Alaska is among the lowest in the nation? Financial aid to attend accredited institutions is also available at extremely low cost. If you're an Alaskan resident, the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education offers you the lowest cost financial aid packages in the nation through our AlaskAdvantage Programs®.

Once you determine which schools top your list, be sure to write, phone, visit their web sites, or take a tour. May your choice in the end be the one that leads to the gold in your future.



AFTER HIGH SCHOOL

In Alaska, students have access to a variety of postsecondary institutions that offer vocational programs, certificates, two-year degrees, four-year degrees, and graduate programs. Our institutions provide highly diverse programs of study designed to meet the individual needs of students as they prepare for future careers and to match workforce demands of our state.

Community Colleges

A community college's primary mission is to serve city, borough, or region residents. For example, Ilisagvik College in Barrow provides postsecondary academic, vocational and technical education training in an environment designed to strengthen Inupiat culture, language, values, and traditions and enable local residents to thrive and succeed.

Another example is Prince William Sound Community College in Valdez, which retains its community college identity. PWSCC is a separately accredited branch of the University of Alaska Anchorage.

Education at community colleges can provide you with specialized training that is immediately applicable to a job following graduation. It can also prepare you for transfer into

a four-year institution where you can complete your bachelor's degree. The University of Alaska campuses also offer community college programs.

Vocational Schools

A vocational school can be either public or private and offers career and technical training in a hands-on environment. An example is Alaska Vocational Technical Center in Seward, a public school operating within the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development and specializing in job training for Alaskans entering the workforce or advancing in their current occupation.

Private vocational schools are sometimes referred to as proprietary, which means the institution is a privately owned business. Proprietary schools may or may not be accredited. Career Academy is an example of an accred-

ited vocational school offering specific courses to meet the requirements of the growing tourism, hospitality, and allied health industries. Other proprietary schools may offer training in areas such as truck driving, cosmetology, or aviation.

Four-Year Colleges & Universities

All Alaska four-year colleges grant bachelor degrees, also called the baccalaureate. Most also offer associate's and master's degrees. Four-year colleges generally offer a broad curriculum of basic required academic courses and specialized areas of study such as journalism, engineering or music. Graduates usually receive a Bachelor of Arts, also called a BA, or Bachelor of Science, also called a BS.

CHOOSING A COLLEGE

Choosing a school or college in Alaska is an exciting and important decision. However, since your final choice will greatly impact your future, you should take time to figure out what you expect to learn and gain from your experience.

First consider yourself. What are your goals and interests? Do you see yourself working in a hands-on environment like medical assisting or working on computers? Or are you seeking an academic foundation for careers like teaching or

engineering? Is staying close to home important for financial and personal reasons or are you ready to take the leap into one of Alaska's cities on your own? What are your academic strengths and weaknesses? Do you thrive in big classroom settings or prefer small classrooms with more personal attention? Is a vocational program a better fit for you? Be sure you consider all aspects of a school including its academic and admissions requirements, costs, and student aid programs.

Determining what you want most and what college can offer will help you reach a decision about where to apply. Narrow your choices down by attending college fairs, visiting college web sites, reviewing college planning guides (found in the library and on the web) and taking campus tours. Your high school guidance counselor can advise you on college preparation, planning, and selection.



APPLYING TO COLLEGE



Apply to the schools that most suit your interests and with programs which match your objectives. You can obtain applications by contacting the college or school or apply online through the school's web site.

You may be required to complete an application for each school in which you have an interest.

Tip! Your application may be your introduction to an institution, and you want to make a good impression. Make sure your forms are clean, neat and thoroughly completed. Make note of deadlines and submit your

GETTING ADMITTED

Institutions have admissions requirements, which vary by school. To make an acceptance decision, institutions will carefully review the information you provide on your application and may require a personal interview.

OPEN ADMISSIONS

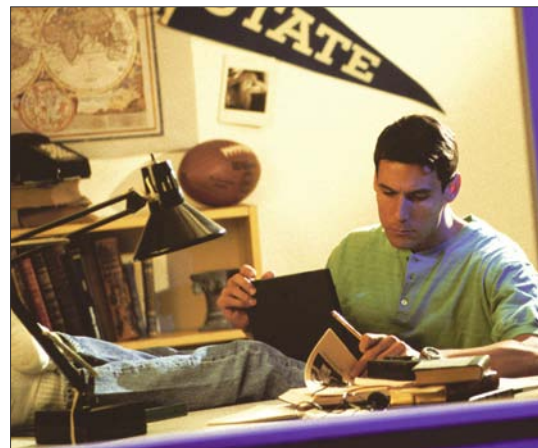
Many colleges and vocational schools have open admission policies. This means if you have a high school diploma or a general educational development certificate (GED), or if you are at least 18 years old, you may qualify to begin taking classes without being admitted. Consult each school for specific admissions policies.



application well in advance. Proofread your application and your essay, if asked to submit one. Make a copy of your application and any attachments for your records. You may want to complete your application and your essay, if needed, on blank paper first, so that corrections can be made before entering your information on the actual form.

College application forms generally ask for:

- personal information
- educational experience
- high school transcript
- standardized test scores
- class rank
- letters of recommendation
- awards and honors
- extracurricular activities
- work experience
- essay, if needed



PAYING FOR COLLEGE



If you attended a public high school, the local and state government paid the basic cost of your education. Education costs after high school are paid, at least in part, by you as the consumer. That price tag can seem overwhelming. Don't panic and base your decision about whether and where to attend on cost alone. Student financial aid can help you reach your goals!

To begin the process, if you are planning to attend an accredited school, you should fill out a FAFSA. FAFSA is short for *Free Application for Federal Student Aid*. The U.S. Department of Education produces the FAFSA. You should complete it as soon as possible after January 1st each year you wish to attend school. It is important to fill out a FAFSA as soon as possible because some financial aid is limited and allocated on a first-come first-served basis. Remember to check with your school about financial aid deadlines.

Information from the FAFSA is used to determine eligibility for certain types of financial aid such as grants, scholarships, and work-study. Unlike loans, grants and scholarships do not have to be paid back. Work-study programs provide campus-based part-time jobs allowing you to earn money to help cover education expenses. Often, the work is related to your course of study and allows you to gain valuable work experience.

The quickest way to file a FAFSA is online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. This is a free process for which you should not be charged a fee. Approximately two weeks after submitting a FAFSA online, you will receive a Student Aid Report, or SAR. (If you complete and mail in a paper copy of the FAFSA, it may take up to six weeks before you receive your SAR). The SAR details your eligibility for aid and your Expected Family Contribution to pay that year's college expenses.

Even if you believe you will not qualify for grants or work-study, it is

still important to fill out a FAFSA to insure your access to federal student loans. Almost all students are eligible to receive these federal loans. They generally have the lowest interest rates and the most benefits.

Grants and Scholarships

You automatically apply for the federal Pell Grant by filling out the FAFSA. A Pell Grant is free money that you don't pay back. You should maximize any such "gift" aid options before considering loans.

Another grant is the federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, also called the SEOG. SEOG funds are gift aid from the federal government. The school awards the SEOG based on significant financial need. Like the Pell Grant, you automatically apply for a SEOG by completing a FAFSA.

If you're an Alaska resident with qualifying financial need and admitted into an undergraduate degree or certificate program at a qualifying institution in Alaska, you may also be eligible for an AlaskAdvantage Education Grant from the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education (ACPE). The AlaskAdvantage Education Grant is state grant aid, with awards ranging from \$500 to \$2000 per academic year. Like the Pell and the SEOG, you automatically apply for the

AlaskAdvantage Education Grant when you complete the FAFSA.

You do not normally have to repay any scholarships you receive. Your school or a sponsoring organization can award scholarships for academic or athletic achievement, artistic talent, community service, leadership, school activities, or your (or your parents') affiliation with a club or organization. Be aware that many on-line scholarship "search" services may try to charge you a fee for applying. There's no need to pay a fee as there are several free searches available. One to try is www.fastweb.com.

School-based Education Loans

If you find you need financial assistance after exhausting all available gift aid options, low-interest education loans are a good solution.

Some schools offer the Perkins Loan, a federal, need-based loan, for which you must demonstrate financial need. Usually Perkins Loans have the lowest interest rate of any education loan program. Not all schools participate in Perkins. Your school will notify you if you are eligible for a Perkins loan.



AlaskAdvantage Loan Programs *The lowest cost financial aid package for Alaskans!*

AlaskAdvantage Stafford and PLUS loans are federal loans. ACPE makes these loans available for Alaska's students. ACPE keeps costs as low as possible for all citizens of Alaska and returns program savings to borrowers as AlaskaAdvantage benefits.

The Stafford Loan is a low-interest, federally-guaranteed loan, with additional interest reductions for borrowers with qualifying financial need. However, it is not necessary to have financial need in order to borrow a Stafford Loan. No credit check is required. The AlaskAdvantage Stafford Loan is one of the lowest-cost loans in the country, available to Alaska residents attending any eligible school or to non-residents attending a school located in Alaska. The AlaskAdvantage Stafford Loan is unique due to its borrower benefit package. AlaskAdvantage borrower benefits can include interest rate reductions and periodic account credits which lower costs for qualified borrowers.

The federal PLUS Loan is available graduate students and to parents of undergraduate students attending an eligible school at least half time. It is not based upon family income and applicants must pass a credit check prior to approval. The loan is limited only by the cost of attendance at your school of choice, less any other financial aid. As with ACPE's Stafford loan, AlaskAdvantage borrower benefits reduce your overall cost of a PLUS loan, when you select ACPE as your lender. The PLUS is available to Alaska residents, or parents of students attending a school in Alaska.

Other Stafford and PLUS lenders include a number of banks or other financial institutions. If you need to borrow, be sure to research the different interest rates and benefits offered by different lenders and choose a

lending institution that meets your needs.

Alternative loans (those outside of the federal programs) provide addi-



tional funding options if you have costs of attendance beyond those covered by any grants, scholarships or Stafford Loans.

The Alaska Supplemental Education Loan (ASEL) is similar to the Stafford Loan; however, the ASEL requires a credit check. You do not need to have a credit record established in order to be eligible. However, if you have a poor credit record, ACPE requires a credit-worthy cosigner. ASEL borrowers may also qualify for AlaskAdvantage cost-saving benefits.

Another option for family members who want to help you meet the costs of higher education is ACPE's Family Education Loan (FEL). The FEL is available to family members of students attending eligible schools full time. FEL borrowers must be U.S. citizens and Alaska residents, but the student need not be. A credit check is required to qualify for the FEL.

ACPE also offers several specialized loan programs.

The Teacher Education Loan is designed to encourage students to become teachers in rural Alaska. High school graduates are nominated by rural Alaska schools to receive the specialized loans. Loan forgiveness may be available to recipients who teach in rural Alaska after graduation. The loan must be fully repaid if you choose not to teach or to teach in areas not designated as rural.

The A.W. Winn Brindle Loan provides low-interest education loans to students enrolled in fisheries-related fields. Forgiveness benefits may also apply if you are an Alaska resident and work full-time in Alaska's fishing industry after graduation.

How To Apply

- Complete a FAFSA on line at: www.fafsa.ed.gov or call (800) 4-FED-AID.
- Contact the financial aid office at your school after you receive notification of

your eligibility.

For additional information about AlaskAdvantage Programs, contact ACPE at: alaskadvantage.state.ak.us or call (800) 441-2962.

Additional Sources of Aid or Cost Reduction

Other sources of aid /cost reduction to assist with your higher education include:

- Personal savings
- Prepaid tuition or college savings plans
- Institutional grants or scholarships
- Community and corporate grants and scholarships
- ROTC
- Service programs such as AmeriCorps
- Employer-sponsored tuition assistance programs
- Veterans programs
- Tuition discounting at participating schools through the Western Undergraduate Exchange Program

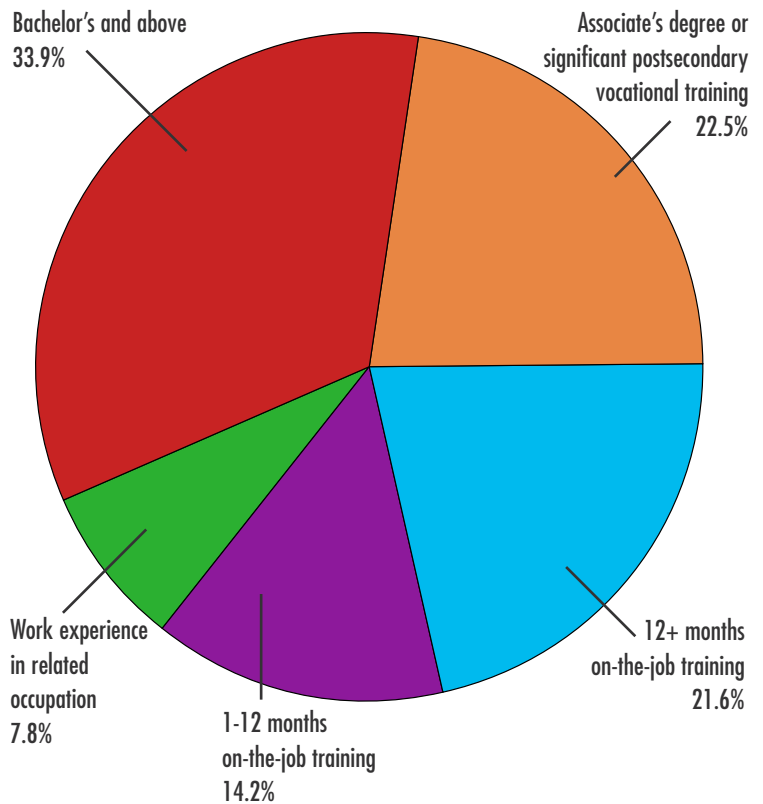
Always discuss your options with the financial aid office at your school before applying for any financial aid programs. Your school's financial aid professionals have information about all the programs available at that school, and they can help you develop a financial aid plan that keeps your costs as low as possible.

ALASKA'S TOP JOBS 2002-2012

Hourly Earnings		
\$\$\$	\$17.49-\$24.62	\$\$\$\$ More than \$24.62
Bachelor's degree and above		
OCCUPATION	WAGE Quartile	
General and Operations Managers	\$\$\$\$	
Airline Pilots, Copilots, and Flight Engineers	\$\$\$\$	
Financial Managers	\$\$\$\$	
Mental Health and Substance Abuse Social Workers	\$\$\$	
Pharmacists	\$\$\$\$	
Medical and Health Services Managers	\$\$\$\$	
Sales Managers	\$\$\$\$	
Substance Abuse and Behavioral Disorder Counselors	\$\$\$	
Child, Family, and School Social Workers	\$\$\$	
Computer Systems Analysts	\$\$\$\$	
Social and Community Service Managers	\$\$\$	
Physical Therapists	\$\$\$\$	
Environmental Engineers	\$\$\$\$	
Mental Health Counselors	\$\$\$	
Medical and Public Health Social Workers	\$\$\$	

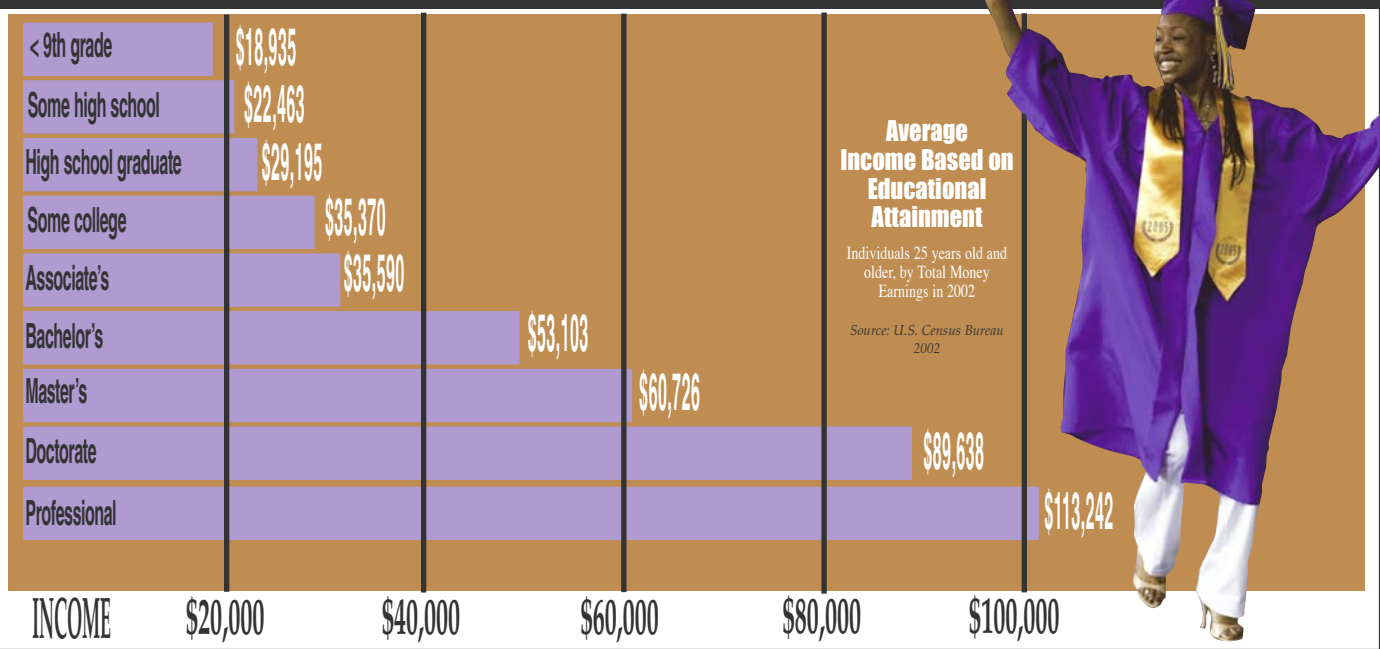
Associate's degree or significant postsecondary vocational training	
Registered Nurses*	\$\$\$\$
Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians	\$\$\$
Dental Hygienists	\$\$\$\$
Commercial Pilots	\$\$\$\$
Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists	\$\$\$
Emergency Medical Technicians and Paramedics	\$\$\$
Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics, except Engines	\$\$\$\$
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	\$\$\$
Radiologic Technologists and Technicians	\$\$\$
Respiratory Therapists	\$\$\$

*Based on the US Bureau of Labor Statistics classification, all RNs are grouped under the Associate Degree category.



Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section

THE POWER OF EDUCATION



ALASKA BIBLE COLLEGE

P.O. Box 289 | Glennallen, Alaska 99588 | www.akbible.edu



Alaska Bible College is surrounded by the beauty of mountains, rivers and lakes. It is located about 200 miles northeast of Anchorage at the foot of the Wrangell Mountains. The town of Glennallen is the crossroads between Anchorage, Fairbanks, Tok, and Valdez. With life's distractions minimized, students can concentrate on the study of God's Word and its application to their lives. ABC first opened its doors in 1966 and continues to carry the vision for ministry-focused biblical education. Upon graduation, students are prepared for entrance into church, parachurch, or mission-related professions. Each BA student is a Bible major, and a Christian Ministries second major with the possible option of choosing an emphasis in Missions, Pastoral Studies, Educational Ministries, or a Teaching English To Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) Certificate. ABC's goal is for every student to become a sound Christian thinker with the ability to analyze, synthesize, and evaluate knowledge, experience, and culture with a biblical worldview.

Admission Office Telephone: 1-800-478-7884, (907) 822-3201

Financial Aid: 1-800-478-7884, (907) 822-3201

Email Address: info@akbible.edu

IMPORTANT FACTS:

ACADEMIC YEAR

2006-2007:

- Annual Tuition & Fees: \$5,950
- Per Credit Tuition: \$260
- Annual Room & Board: \$4,750

FINANCIAL AID:

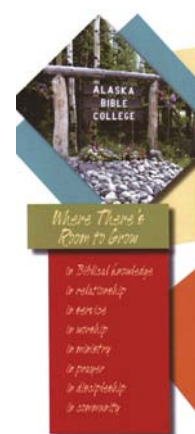
- Application Deadline: July 1

OTHER INFORMATION:

- Student Body Size: 62
- Student/Teacher Ratio: 7:1
- On Campus Housing: Yes
- Accreditation: ABHE
- Degrees Offered: BA, AA, Certificate

FIELDS OF STUDY:

Biblical Studies





ALASKA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY

4101 University Dr. | Anchorage, Alaska 99508 | www.alaskapacific.edu

IMPORTANT FACTS:

ACADEMIC YEAR

2006-2007:

- Annual Tuition & Fees: \$19,500
- Per Credit Tuition: \$812
- Annual Room & Board: \$6,775 (avg)

FINANCIAL AID:

- Priority Deadline: February 1st

OTHER INFORMATION:

- Student Body Size: 829
- Student/Teacher Ratio: 11:1
- On Campus Housing: Yes
- Accreditation: NWASC
- Degrees Offered: AA, BA, BS, MA, MS

FIELDS OF STUDY:

- Business Administration
- Education K-8
- Counseling Psychology
- Environmental Policy and Planning
- Environmental Science
- Liberal Studies
- Outdoor Studies
- Marine Biology
- RANA (Distance Ed Program)
- Telecommunications Management
- Health Services Administration
- Global Finance

EXTRACURRICULAR:

- Nordic Ski Team
- Intramural Sports
- Outdoor Programs
- Study Abroad
- Student Government



Look to Alaska Pacific University for high quality in education and personal attention in every course. *U.S. News & World Report* magazine ranks APU in the top tier among western masters-level universities. APU is also cited by the magazine as a national leader in maintaining small and personal class size.

A special scholarship of \$4,000 a year for Alaskans, plus other generous financial aid options makes APU affordable for the qualified student who wants to learn in a smaller classroom setting that emphasizes Active Learning--that is, hands-on experiential learning.

Alaska Pacific recognizes that many Alaska students want to experience life outside Alaska as part of their college education. A partnership with five other colleges and universities stretching from Arizona to Maine makes it possible for APU students to attend two semesters--one sophomore year, one junior--at any of these colleges, while retaining APU's Alaska scholarships. Stay inside Alaska; experience college Outside. Discover Active Learning.



Admission Office Telephone: (907) 564-8248 or 1-800-252-7528

Admission Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Financial Aid: (907) 564-8342 **Hours:** Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Email Address: admissions@alaskapacific.edu

ALASKA VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL CENTER (AVTEC)

P.O. Box 889 | Seward, Alaska 99664 | www.AVTEC.alaska.edu



AVTEC has been training Alaskans for good jobs and rewarding careers in business and industry for over 30 years. AVTEC is a

Division of the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development and responds to the needs of Alaska with industry-approved certifications and/or licenses. Placing 98% of its graduates in jobs, AVTEC works with more

than 200 business partners around the state. Every AVTEC training program offers small classes with hands-on instruction, close faculty supervision, and the use of the latest technology. Students come from across Alaska, and AVTEC is proud to have trained more women and minorities than any other vocational school in Alaska. AVTEC is a friendly and caring school, dedicated to helping all students achieve the highest level of technical knowledge and workplace skills. With Information Technology as its fastest growing program, AVTEC is the only school in Alaska accredited as a Cisco Regional Academy.

Photos by Clark James Mishler



Admission Office: (907) 224-4141 or 1-800-478-5389

In Anchorage (907)-334-2230

Admission Office Hours: Mon. – Fri. 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Financial Aid: (907) 224-4150 **Hours:** Mon. – Fri. 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Email Address: avtec_admissions@labor.state.ak.us

IMPORTANT FACTS:

ACADEMIC YEAR

2006-2007:

- Annual Tuition & Fees: Program Based
- Per Credit Tuition: Varies
- Annual Room & Board: 6 wks or less \$35 per day
Over 6 wks \$25 per day

FINANCIAL AID:

- Application Deadline: Year round

OTHER INFORMATION:

- Student Body Size: 1729
- Student/Teacher Ratio: 15:1
- On Campus Housing: Yes
- Accreditation: CCOE
- Degrees Offered: Certificates

FIELDS OF STUDY:

- Automotive Technology
- Business & Office Technology
- Professional Cooking and Baking
- Diesel & Heavy Equipment Technology
- Facility Maintenance Construction
- Facility Maintenance Mechanical
- Industrial Electricity
- Information Technology
- Web Development Technology
- Maritime & Fisheries Technology
- Power Plant Operation
- USCG Approved Licensing classes
- Welding Technology
- ANCHORAGE PROGRAMS**
- Certified Nurse Assistant
- Licensed Practical Nurse

EXTRACURRICULAR:

- Outdoor sports of all kinds
- Rec Center
- Gymnasium
- Weight Room
- Racquetball
- Sauna
- Billiards
- Ping-Pong Tables
- Ceramics Classes
- Access to Indoor Pool



CAREER ACADEMY

1415 E. Tudor Rd. | Anchorage, Alaska 99507 | www.careeracademy.edu

IMPORTANT FACTS:

ACADEMIC YEAR

2006-2007:

- Annual Tuition & Fees: Program Based
- Per Credit Tuition: Varies
- Annual Room & Board: \$6,000

FINANCIAL AID:

- Application Deadline: Continuous

OTHER INFORMATION:

- Student Body Size: 650
- Student Teacher Ratio: 15:1
- On Campus Housing: No
- Accreditation: ACCSCT
- Degrees Offered: Diploma, Certificates, NCCT, FAAAC, NCTMB, NCMA, NCPT, NCICS, TABE, FAA – Airman's Certificate

FIELDS OF STUDY:

- Travel & Tourism
- Aircraft Dispatch
- Medical Assistant
- Phlebotomy Technician
- Coding & Billing
- Business Office & Computer Technology
- Therapeutic Massage

EXTRACURRICULAR:

- Alpha Beta Kappa Honor Society
- Career Academy Alumni Association
- Student Government & Council
- Summer Picnic & Activities
- Award Ceremonies
- Share-a-Ride Programs
- Business Networking Opportunities
- Career Marketing & Placement Local & Nationwide



Career Academy was founded in 1985 by Jennifer and Don Deitz as the Travel Academy, to meet the demand for skilled employees prepared to work in Alaska's growing tourism and aviation industries. In 1987 Career Academy became accredited by the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges of Technology (ACCSCT). Since 1985 Career Academy has expanded to include the industries of health care, business and computer technology.

As a private career institution, Career Academy offers the highest standard of hands-on education that is both responsive to employer needs, and market demands. Empowering students for the global workforce, Career Academy offers professional day, evening & weekend programs including: Medical Assisting, Phlebotomy Technician, Therapeutic Massage, Insurance Coding & Billing, Business & Computer Technology and Aircraft Dispatching.

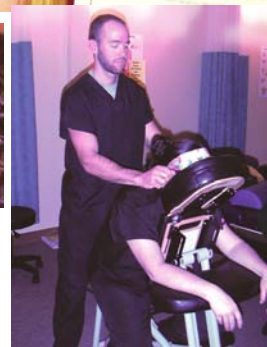
Career Academy is a crossroads for a wide spectrum of people of all ages, especially those with goals to meet the challenges of today's and tomorrow's job market. Curriculum is tailored for community need and interest, the length of programs varies, but average 4 to 13 months. Average classroom size is 15 to 30 students with a 15 to 1 student to instructor ratio in allied health, therapeutic massage, and computer laboratory classes. Each graduate from Career Academy is assisted with nationwide job placement assistance, armed with a professional resume and career portfolio. Career Academy's 20th anniversary celebration with service to students, employers and the community began with a massive campus-wide expansion and the grand opening of the Therapeutic Massage Specialist program with a student clinic where the focus is on physical and rehabilitation medicine.

Career Education for a Global Workforce.

Admission Office: 1-800-770-7575 (907) 563-7575 **Hours:** Mon - Fri 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

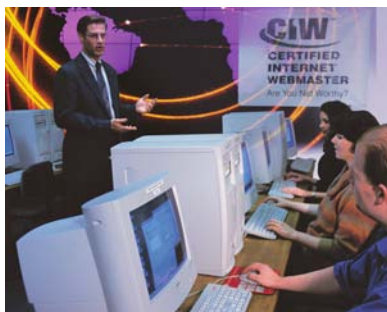
Financial Aid: (907) 563-7575 **Hours:** Mon - Fri 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Admissions email Address: lisa@careeracademy.edu



CHARTER COLLEGE

2221 E. Northern Lights Suite 120 | Anchorage, Alaska 99508 | www.chartercollege.edu



Charter College is a private institution established to offer an alternative choice for both young and mature people who are seeking an efficient means to enhance their social and economic condition. It is a present and future oriented college committed to the value and utility of state-of-the-art information technology.

Charter offers only those programs for which

there are excellent career opportunities in Alaska and throughout urban America. Charter's fast-track calendar, consisting of five ten-week quarters annually, permits students to complete a bachelor's degree in two and one-half years, and an associate's degree in fifteen months. Charter offers both day and evening schedules. It has structured its facilities into thirteen classrooms. Four are used for lecture and manual accounting, eight for instruction using micro-computers, and one as a digital electronics laboratory. The College has a total of 190 new Dell Optiplex Pentium 4 computers. In addition, Charter purchases more than 200 Pentium or equivalent computers annually, one for each student enrolled in the computer hardware courses. After meeting certain requirements, students will own and take home their respective computers.

For more information, call: (907) 277-1000 or 1-800-279-1008

Email: contact@chartercollege.edu

IMPORTANT FACTS:

ACADEMIC YEAR

2006-2007:

- Tuition: \$179 per quarter credit hour based on full-time enrollment

FINANCIAL AID:

- Application Deadline: Continuous

OTHER INFORMATION:

- Student Body Size: 841
- Student Body Ratio: 11:1
- On Campus Housing: No
- Accreditation: ACICS
- Degrees Offered: BS, AAS, Certificate

FIELDS OF STUDY:

- BS:
 - Information Tech Engineering
 - Business Management Technology
- AAS:
 - Business Management Practice
 - Network Security
 - Business Applications
 - Networking Technology
 - Technical Graphics
 - Computerized Accounting
 - Medical Coding & Billing
- Certificates:
 - Computer Aided Drafting
 - Computerized Accounting
 - Medical Coding & Billing
 - Office Administration

EXTRACURRICULAR:

- Pizzafest
- Summer picnic
- Christmas party
- Brown bag luncheon series
- Honors Program
- Student Support Committee
- Student Chapter of Association of Information Technology Professionals (AITP)





ILISAGVIK COLLEGE

P.O. Box 749 | Barrow, Alaska 99723 | www.ilisagvik.cc

IMPORTANT FACTS:

ACADEMIC YEAR

2006-2007:

- Annual Tuition & Fees:
North Slope Borough
Resident: \$1,440 & Non-Resident: \$2,880
- Per Credit Tuition: *North Slope Borough Resident:*
\$60 & *Non-Resident:* \$120
- Annual Room & Board:
\$9,918

FINANCIAL AID:

- Application Deadline:
Aug 1-Fall, Dec 1-Spring,
March 1-Summer

OTHER INFORMATION:

- Student Body Size: 400
- Student/Teacher Ratio: 8:1
- On Campus Housing: Yes
- Accreditation: NASCU
- Degrees Offered:
Endorsement, Certificate,
AA, AAS

FIELDS OF STUDY:

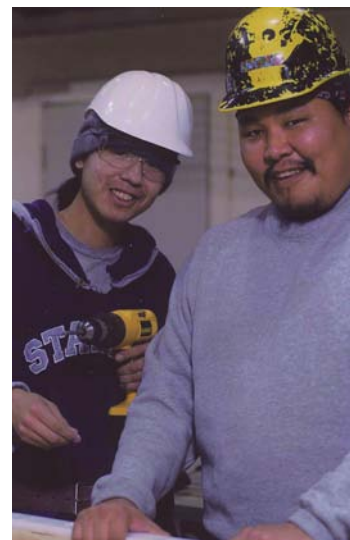
- Accounting
- Associated Construction Trades
- Business Management
- CDL/Heavy Truck
- Computer Technology
- General Transfer AA degree
- Electrical Trades
- Industrial Safety
- Information Technology
- Inupiaq Fine Arts
- Office Administration
- Process Technology
- Teacher Aide Program

EXTRACURRICULAR:

- Basketball
- Internships
- Native Youth Olympics
- Student Government
- Work Study



Ilisagvik College has the unique advantage of being the northernmost community college in Alaska. Local residents proudly say, "I live at the Top of the World." Located in Barrow, Ilisagvik provides post-secondary academic, vocational and technical education. The College received accreditation in 2002 and offers a variety of academic programs and training courses as well as workplace and adult basic education development opportunities to meet the needs of North Slope Borough residents. The College's mission is to maintain and promote the cultural heritage, values, traditions and language of the Inupiat people and to assist North Slope residents with obtaining and retaining jobs within the Borough and on the North Slope, whether it be a position in the oil industry or construction industry driving heavy trucks or a job with the school district as a teacher's aide. Programs run from six weeks to two years in length.



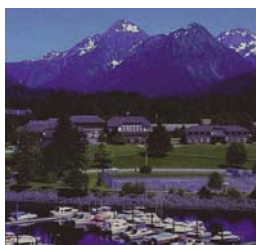
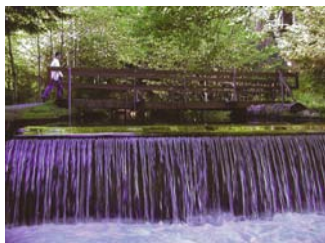
Admission Office: (907) 852-1763 **Hours:** Mon - Fri 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Financial Aid: (907) 852-1708 **Hours:** Mon - Fri 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Email Address: susan.edwardson@ilisagvik.cc

SHELDON JACKSON COLLEGE

801 Lincoln Street | Sitka, Alaska 99835 | www.sj-alaska.edu



Photos by Dani Evans

One of the great advantages of Sheldon Jackson College is that you can make the outdoors, as well as the indoors, a part of your learning. The campus overlooks Sitka Harbor with its breathtaking views of snowcapped mountains and ocean islands.

Sheldon Jackson College is a private college founded in 1878 by Presbyterian missionaries as a training school for the Tlingit community. Since then, it has grown into a four-year institution offering associate and bachelor degrees to students from widely diverse backgrounds. The College is committed to providing students with a broad-based liberal arts education while honoring and preserving its Christian heritage.

Campus is located in Sitka, the fifth largest city in Alaska. The community on Baranof Island in Southeast Alaska is considered one of the state's most beautiful ports of call. Encircled by mountains, the campus looks out on the Pacific Ocean & is surrounded by temperate rainforest. Many reminders of Sitka's past are still visible today with its rich cultural influences. Sitka offers students a beautiful downtown area, churches, performing arts center, museums, parks and restaurants all within walking distance.

Admission Office Phone: (907) 747-5221 or 1-800-478-4556

Financial Aid: (907) 747-5211

Email Address: admissions@sj-alaska.edu

Office Hours: Mon - Fri 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

IMPORTANT FACTS:

ACADEMIC YEAR

2006-2007:

- Annual Tuition & Fees: \$11,236
- Per Credit Tuition: 1-6 credits \$355, 7-11 credits \$535
- Annual Room & Board: \$7,700

FINANCIAL AID:

- Application Deadline: Open Priority deadline: April 15

OTHER INFORMATION:

- Student Body Size: 200
- Student/Teacher Ratio: 8:1
- On Campus Housing: Yes
- Accreditation: NWCCU
- Degrees Offered: Certificate, Associate's, Bachelor's

FIELDS OF STUDY:

- Business Administration
- Elementary Education
- Secondary Education
- Environmental Sciences
- Individualized Studies
- Liberal Arts
- Human Services
- Outdoor Leadership

EXTRACURRICULAR:

- Student Government
- Club Basketball
- Indoor Soccer
- Swimming
- Wall Climbing
- Racquetball
- Dances
- Hiking
- Ultimate Frisbee





UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE

PO Box 141629 | Anchorage, Alaska 99514-1629 | www.uaa.alaska.edu

IMPORTANT FACTS:

ACADEMIC YEAR

2006-2007:

■ Annual Tuition & Fees:

Residents: \$4,129

Non-Resident: \$11,970

■ Per Credit Tuition:

Resident: \$120

Non-Resident: \$399

■ Annual Room & Board:

\$7,230 - \$8,830

FINANCIAL AID:

■ Application Priority:

Received by July 1st

OTHER INFORMATION:

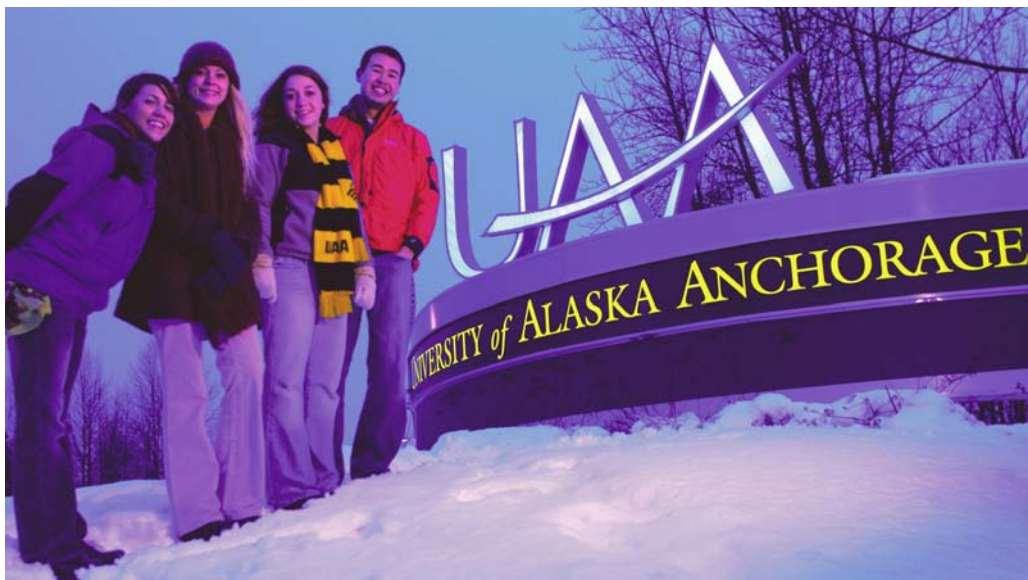
- Student Body Size: 20,073
- Student/Teacher Ratio: 22:1
- On Campus Housing: Yes
- Accreditation: NWCCU
- Degrees Offered:
Certificate, Associate's,
Bachelor's, Master's,
Doctorate, and Graduate
Certificate

FIELDS OF STUDY:

- Liberal Arts
- Sciences
- Business
- Education
- Engineering
- Human Services
- Health Sciences
- Global Logistics
- Nursing

EXTRACURRICULAR:

- Division I Ice Hockey (M),
Gymnastics (W)
- Division II Basketball
(M&W), Cross Country
Running (M&W), Skiing
(M&W), Volleyball (W),
Track & Field (M&W)
- Over 96 Clubs &
Organizations including
six fraternities and
sororities
- Student Exchange & Study
Abroad Programs
- Air Force ROTC



Located in the heart of Alaska's largest city is the state's largest postsecondary institution, the University of Alaska Anchorage. UAA's campus is situated in the middle of a spruce and birch forest and is connected to a citywide trail system perfect for students' active lifestyles. UAA offers associate's, baccalaureate and master's degrees, as well as vocational and professional certificates in more than 150 major study areas, including:

arts, sciences, business, education, human services and health sciences. Through UAA's comprehensive curriculum, students learn practical job skills and develop a strong educational foundation, preparing them for graduate or professional schools and the workplace. UAA also hosts the annual Carrs/Safeway Great Alaska Shootout, featuring some of the best men's and women's basketball teams in the nation.

UAA has a Greek system, designed to enhance the campus environment, enrich the lives of students, encourage scholastic achievement and be a positive force in the community. In addition, the University offers numerous clubs and organizations for students.

UAA is large enough to give you many choices, yet small enough to pay attention to the choices you make. If you want a campus dedicated to your success and connected to the best of Alaska's culture, UAA is the place for you.



Enrollment Services: (907) 786-1480

Email Address: enroll@uaa.alaska.edu

Financial Aid: (907) 786-1586

Email Address: financialaid@uaa.alaska.edu

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UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FAIRBANKS

P.O. Box 757480 | Fairbanks, Alaska 99775 | www.uaf.edu



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Choose UAF and you begin a college career that can lead you in any professional direction. UAF graduates become firefighters, bankers and anthropologists; they start their own businesses, work for large corporations and make public policy. Alumni work all over Alaska, throughout the United States and in foreign countries. UAF's 9,380 students come from every state and around the world. They represent many ethnic, religious, and language groups and come from a variety of cultures.

Nearly 600 full-time faculty teach most classes, even introductory level courses. It's a hot spot for scientific research and is the only university in Alaska to offer doctoral degrees. It also has primary responsibility for Alaska Native education and study and provides a wide range of humanities programs. UAF offers 164 degrees and 25 certificates in 116 disciplines ranging from agriculture to engineering to liberal arts. When you graduate with a degree from UAF, the world is yours to discover. Whether you continue to explore the 360-million-acre classroom that is Alaska or take your education and skills somewhere else, you'll be ready to succeed.

Admissions Office: (907) 474-7500 or 1-800-478-1823 **Hours:** Mon - Fri 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Financial Aid: (907) 474-7256 or 1-888-474-7256 **Hours:** Mon - Fri 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Admissions e-mail address: admissions@uaf.edu

IMPORTANT FACTS:

ACADEMIC YEAR

2006-2007:

■ Annual Tuition & Fees:

Resident: \$4,270

Non-Resident: \$12,640

■ Per Credit Tuition:

Resident: \$120

Non-Resident: \$399

■ Annual Room & Board:

\$6,030

FINANCIAL AID:

■ Application Deadline:

Feb. 15 for institutional scholarships

OTHER INFORMATION:

- Student Body Size: 9,380
- Student/Teacher Ratio: 16:1
- On Campus Housing: Yes
- Accreditation: NWCCU
- Degrees Offered: Certificate, Associate's, Bachelor's, Master's, Doctoral

FIELDS OF STUDY:

- Education
- Engineering & Mines
- Fisheries & Ocean Sciences
- Liberal Arts
- Management
- Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences
- Natural Science and Mathematics
- Rural & Community Development

EXTRACURRICULAR:

- Div. I: Men's Ice Hockey
- Div. II: Men's and Women's Basketball, Women's Swimming, Women's Volleyball
- Open: Cross Country Running, Cross Country Skiing, Rifle
- Over 100 Clubs & Organizations
- Exchange Programs
- ROTC
- Fraternities & Sororities





UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA SOUTHEAST

11120 Glacier Highway | Juneau, Alaska 99801 | www.uas.alaska.edu

IMPORTANT FACTS:

ACADEMIC YEAR

2006-2007:

- Annual Tuition & Fees:
Resident: \$3,412
Non-Resident: \$9,508
- Per Credit Tuition
Resident: \$120
Non-Resident: \$399
- Annual Room & Board:
\$6,357

FINANCIAL AID:

- Application Deadline:
Ongoing
- Scholarship Deadline:
Feb. 14th

OTHER INFORMATION:

- Student Body Size: 4,000
- Student/Teacher Ratio: 12:1
- On Campus Housing: Yes
- Accreditation: NWASC
- Degrees Offered:
Certificate, Associate's,
Bachelor's, Master's
- Wireless Campus

FIELDS OF STUDY:

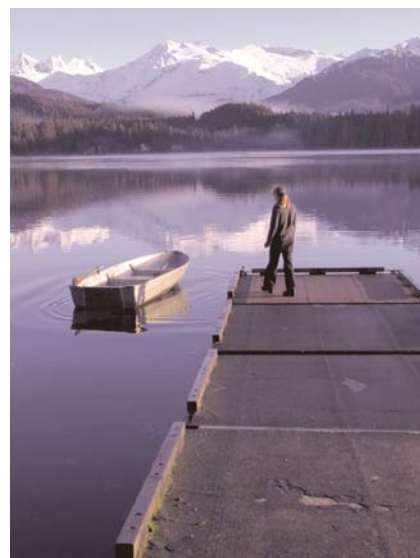
- Apprenticeship Technology
- Business Administration
- Computer Information
- Construction Technology
- Early Childhood Education
- Education
- English
- Environmental Science
- Liberal Arts
- Marine Biology
- Outdoor Leadership
- Power Technology
- Public Administration

ACTIVITIES:

- Student Government
- English Club
- Native Student Club
- Global Connections Club
- Intramural Sports
- Rock Climbing and Kayaking



The University of Alaska Southeast is a public liberal arts university in the heart of Alaska's Tongass National Forest. The UAS curriculum has evolved as naturally as the glacier-fed lakes and streams that surround our campus. Its academic programs are uniquely designed for Southeast Alaska's environment, with the breadth of the liberal arts education, and an emphasis on bringing students out of the classroom and into their fields of study. Imagine learning environmental science on the Mendenhall Glacier, studying literature and the environment where John Muir explored, or gaining confidence and leadership skills in the Alaskan wilderness, by participating in the outdoor studies program. Come and explore UAS programs from certificates, to our one-year Masters of Art in Teaching.



Enrollment Services: (907) 796-6000 or 1-877-465-4827

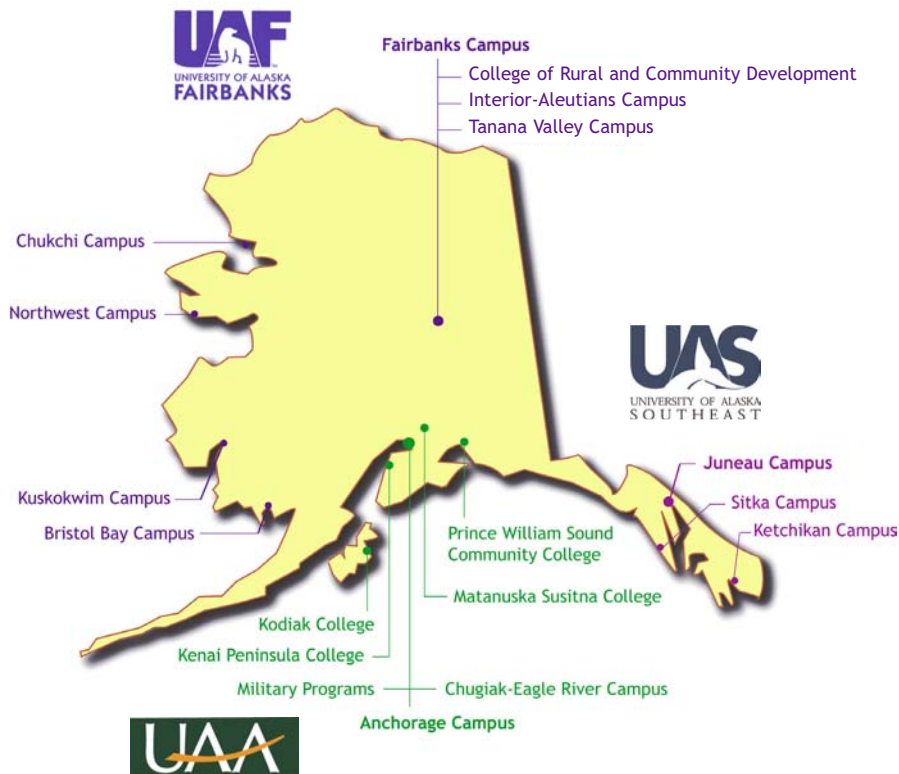
Hours: Mon - Fri 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Financial Aid: (907) 796-6255 **Hours:** Mon - Fri 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Email Address: uas.info@uas.alaska.edu

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA COMMUNITY CAMPUSES

www.alaska.edu/active/level2/locations.xml



University of Alaska's community campuses and education centers allow you to take career-focused courses close to home. As community-based organizations, UA campuses provide certificate and two- and four-year academic and technical degree programs as well as coursework leading to baccalaureate degrees. UAF's College of Rural and Community Development also offers an M.A. in Rural Development. UA campuses provide you the dual benefits of living at home and the opportunity to participate in vocational, continuing education and personal development courses. At UA, you get to experience a variety of courses and programs, from training for a career in health or social work to earning an Information Technology Specialist degree to studying Emergency Services and more!



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PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

P.O. Box 97 | 303 Lowe Street | Valdez, Alaska 99686 | www.pwscc.edu

IMPORTANT FACTS:

ACADEMIC YEAR

2006-2007:

- Annual Tuition & Fees \$2,820
- Per Credit Tuition \$103
- Annual Room & Board: \$4,130

FINANCIAL AID:

- Application Deadline: ongoing

OTHER INFORMATION

- Student Body Size: 2,074
- Student/Teacher Ratio: 12:1
- On Campus Housing: Yes
- Accreditation: NWCCU
- Degrees Offered: Certificate, Associate's, Bachelor's

FIELDS OF STUDY:

- Disability Services
- Human Services
- Theatre
- Family Centered Human Services
- Industrial Technology
- Computer Information & Office Systems
- Liberal Arts

EXTRACURRICULAR:

- Student Government
- Phi Theta Kappa
- Drama Club
- Native Student Services
- Multicultural Student Association
- International Student Club



Prince William Sound Community College provides academic, developmental and vocational education, training, community interest courses and services to the residents of Prince William Sound and Copper Basin regions. PWSCC is located in Valdez, also known as the "Switzerland of Alaska" because of the rugged, snow-clad peaks which surround the city. Its mission is to provide an academically sound and transferable liberal arts and general education curriculum. PWSCC provides entry-level and continuing vocational education to meet the needs of evolving job markets. It also seeks to promote cultural and personal enrichment opportunities to the people of the service area and cross-cultural experiences involving individuals from a variety of ethnic, generational and international groups.



Admission Office Telephone: (907) 834-1632 or 1-800-478-8800 (in AK only)

Admission Office Hours: Mon. - Fri. 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Financial Aid: (907) 834-1645 or (907) 834-1631

Email Address: studentservices@pwscc.edu

ALASKA Campuses of Out-of-State Schools

Alaska's students may also choose to meet their education needs at an institution that has a main campus elsewhere but offers a local Alaska campus and program or programs. These campuses and programs are often designed specifically to meet the needs of members of the military or working adult students.

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University has two residential campuses in Daytona Beach, Florida and Prescott, Arizona. Wayland Baptist University's main campus is in Plainview, Texas; and Central Texas College's main campus is found in Killeen. All three colleges offer degree completion programs for transferring students.



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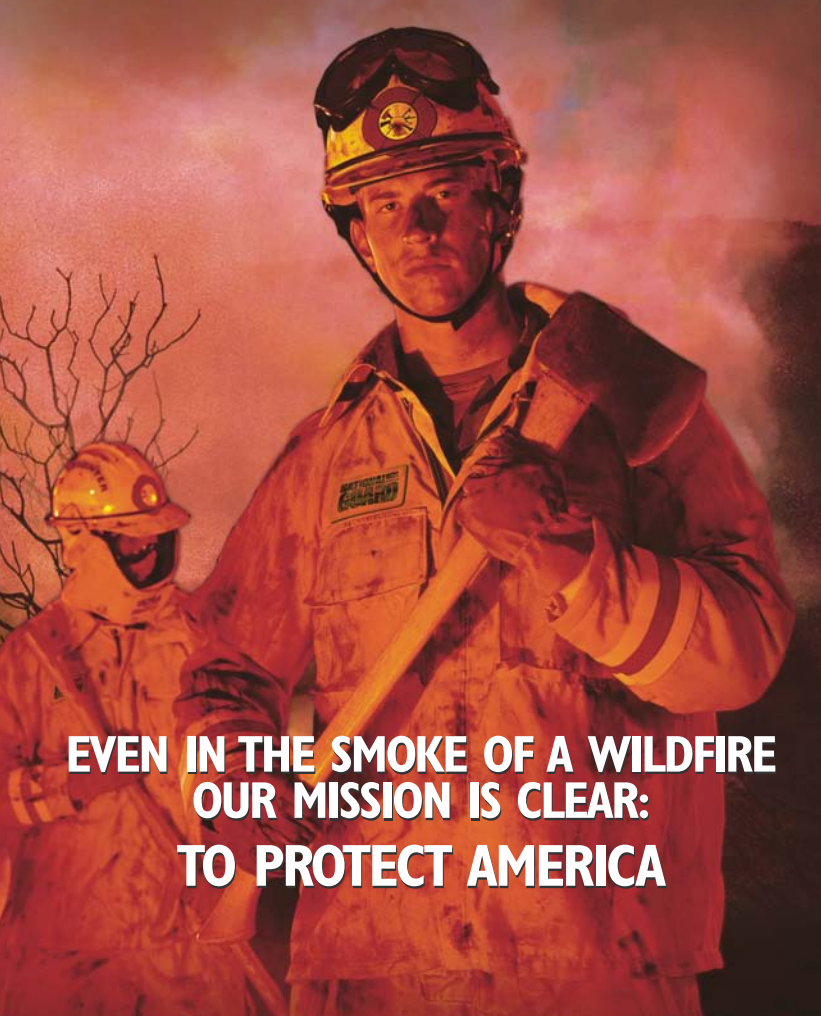
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CENTRAL TEXAS COLLEGE

CENTRAL TEXAS COLLEGE

Anchorage and Fairbanks military campuses

Central Texas College is a community college which began in Killeen, Texas in 1965. Central Texas College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award associates degree and certificates of completion. It serves military and civilian personnel throughout the world and has an open-door admission policy. Students enrolled in Central Texas College may select a degree plan from Associates' of Arts, Associates' of Science, Associates' of Applied Science and Associates' of General Studies. Programs vary from location to location. For complete information on programs offered at the Fort Richardson and Elmendorf AFB, Alaska sites you may contact Margaret I. Pylant, Site Director at (907) 428-1317, or email us at central-texascollege@acsalaska.net. For more information on Fort Wainwright contact Tamatha Zavodsky at (907) 356-3863. For information on Central Texas College's program world wide, you may contact CTC at www.ctcd.edu.



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